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ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE IN SELF-PINNED ABUTTED JUNCTION HEADS HAVING A SELF-PINNED BIAS LAYER

EXTENDING BEYOND THE FREE LAYER

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the papers, as described hereinabove, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 8, 2005.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to file the attached Response To Restriction Requirement. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0996 (HITG.056US01) in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the extension fee. If necessitated by this Extension, authority is given to charge/credit additional fees/overages to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

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